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*The Economic History of the United States.* By ERNEST LUDLOW BOGART.  
London and New York: Longmans, Green & Co., 1907. Pp. 522. \$1.75.

This book does not relate the political and constitutional development of the United States but records the industrial progress of our nation, beginning with the exploration and settlement of the continent, sketching the growth of industry, agriculture, commerce, transportation, population, and labor from the colonial period down to the present time. Emphasis is laid upon the essentials of economic life with a view to showing the relation between cause and effect. The narrative is always exceedingly clear and interesting, facts being grouped in such a manner as to form a continuous story.

The book is adapted for use in high school as well as in college. The helps for further study, in the form of suggestive topics and questions and also of selected references for reading, are certainly very valuable features of the work. Especially helpful is the extensive bibliography at the end. The maps and illustrations are the best obtainable. The appearance of the book is most attractive and both writer and publisher are to be congratulated upon having produced a volume worthy of the highest praise.

It is to be hoped that this text will receive the appreciation and wide use it deserves. It offers just the sort of information every American citizen should have in order to comprehend the complex industrial life of today and the material achievements of our nation. The time has come when the importance of the economic factor in history is being emphasized more and more. The industrial side of historic development is worthy of as careful a study as the political. The appearance of this book is therefore heartily to be welcomed and will no doubt be productive of much good.

*An Introduction to the History of Modern Europe.* By ARCHIBALD WEIR.  
Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1907. Pp. 440. \$2.00.

This volume is not intended for use as a textbook but should be of great service as a work for supplementary reading. It is not a summary of dry facts but rather a very suggestive and inspiring presentation of the factors which have produced our present civilization. Minute details have been avoided and only the broad outlines of development have been given. The author has tried to find the spirit of the great movements he deals with, rather than heap up the dry bones of the past. His main interest lies in tracing ideas and tendencies. Books of this sort are not very numerous and are of great value. Mr. Weir's book should find a place in every school library.

*Essentials of United States History.* By WILLIAM A. MOWRY AND BLANCHE S. MOWRY. New York, Boston, and Chicago: Silver, Burdett & Co., 1906. Pp. 434. \$0.90.

In preparing this book the authors have kept in view the needs of pupils in the sixth and seventh grades. In a simple yet vivid and interesting manner the salient features of American history are brought out. Special prominence is given to describing the life of the people in the various epochs of our history and also to the biographical side. The usual error in books of this sort of devoting too much space to military events is happily avoided.